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Merck Fellowship Board, National Research Council, Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Mr. PALMER D. SKAAR has been in communication with us concerning a research project on the immuno-genetics of bacteria. He is applying for a Merck postdoctoral fellowship for support while carrying out this investigation.

Professor M. R. Irwin of this department joins with me in sponsoring this application, with the assurance that suitable facilities will be made available to Mr. Skaar during 1951-52 to carry on his work under such a fellowship.

Yours sincereky,

Joshua Lederberg, Associate Professor of Genetics